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Public Information Meeting

State Road 32 Westfield Reconstruction Project
Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana
August 22, 2019

Project Team:

- City of Westfield
 - John Nail, PE - City Engineer
- Government Affiliations
 - Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT)
 - Jennifer Beck, INDOT Project Manager
 - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- American Structurepoint, Inc.
 - Ken Olson, PE - Project Manager
 - Tanner McKinney, PE - Project Engineer
 - Briana Hope, Environmental Project Manager
 - Sarah Everhart, Environmental Specialist

Meeting Agenda

- Meeting Intent
- Project Area
- Purpose & Need Overview
- Project Description & Concepts
- Anticipated Project Schedule
- Environmental Process
- Real Estate Acquisition
- Open House

Meeting Intent

- Provide an informal setting to learn about the project
- Present and receive feedback on project information
- Ask project questions of the project team during the open house after the presentation

SR 32 Project Background

- 2009 – SR 32 Widening from Springmill Rd to west of US 31
- 2011 - SR 32 Corridor Study – Oak Ridge Rd to Moontown Rd
- 2015 – US 31 and SR 32 Interchange and Poplar St Roundabout complete
- 2018 – SR 32 and Union St Traffic Signal Modernization

Project Area



Purpose & Need

- **Need for Project**

- The existing corridor does not provide an efficient traveling environment for motorists, bicyclists, or pedestrians, as the existing roadway is congested.

- **Purpose of Project**

- To improve corridor mobility along SR 32 through the downtown Westfield area for both motorists and pedestrians alike.

Traffic Operations

- SR 32 & Union Street
 - Excessive Queuing
 - Cycle Failures (sitting through multiple lights)
 - SR 32 side streets and drives blocked
- SR 32 & Shamrock/Poplar Roundabout
 - Excessive Queuing (Due to SR 32 & Union)
 - Impacts during School Events (Pick-Up/Drop-Off)
 - Impacts to Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Delay & Queueing Expected to Increase
 - Projected Growth
 - Future Developments

Traffic Operations

- VISSIM Traffic Simulation
 - 2019 PM Peak Hour Existing Traffic Volumes
 - 2022 PM Peak Hour No-Build Traffic Volumes

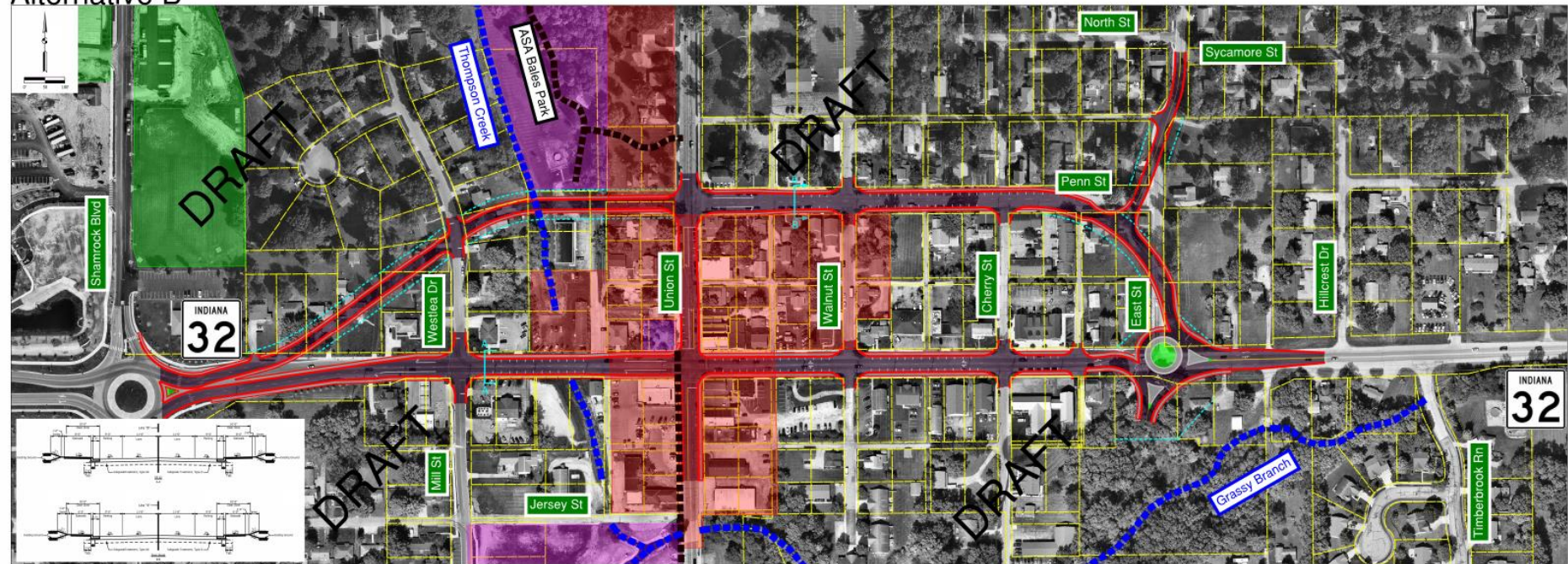
Project Alternatives

Alternative A



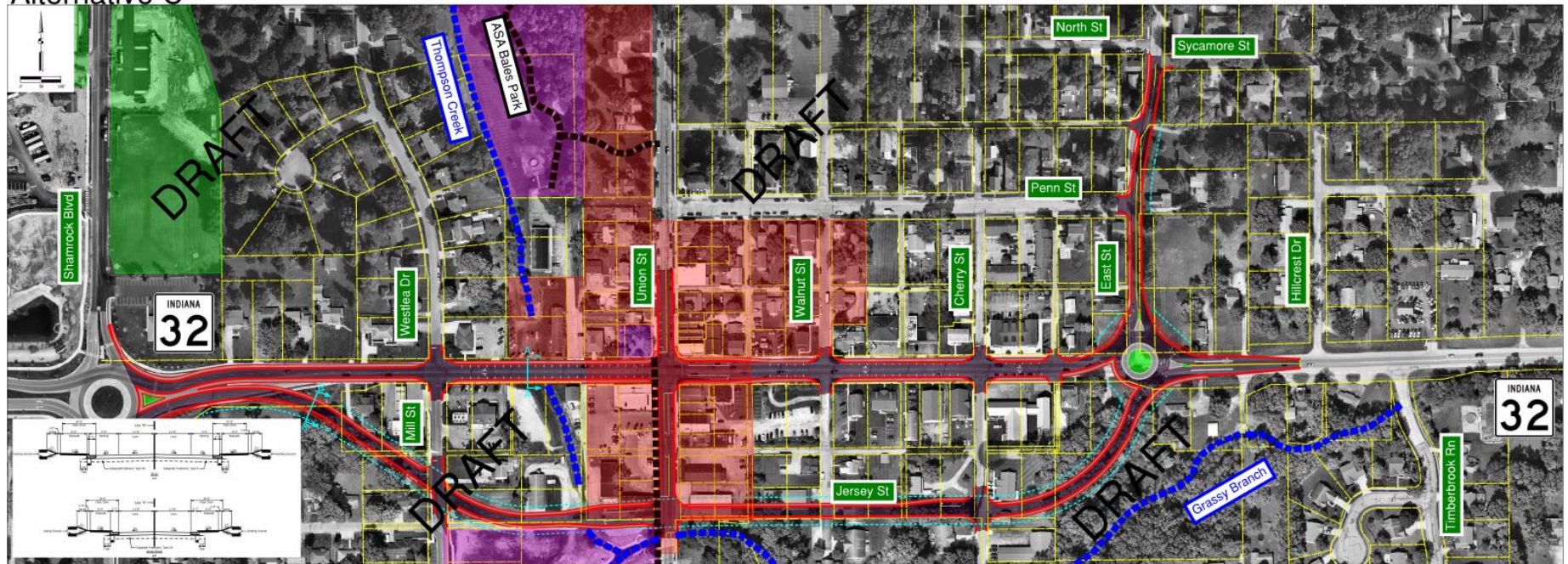
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Alternative B



Project Alternatives

Alternative C

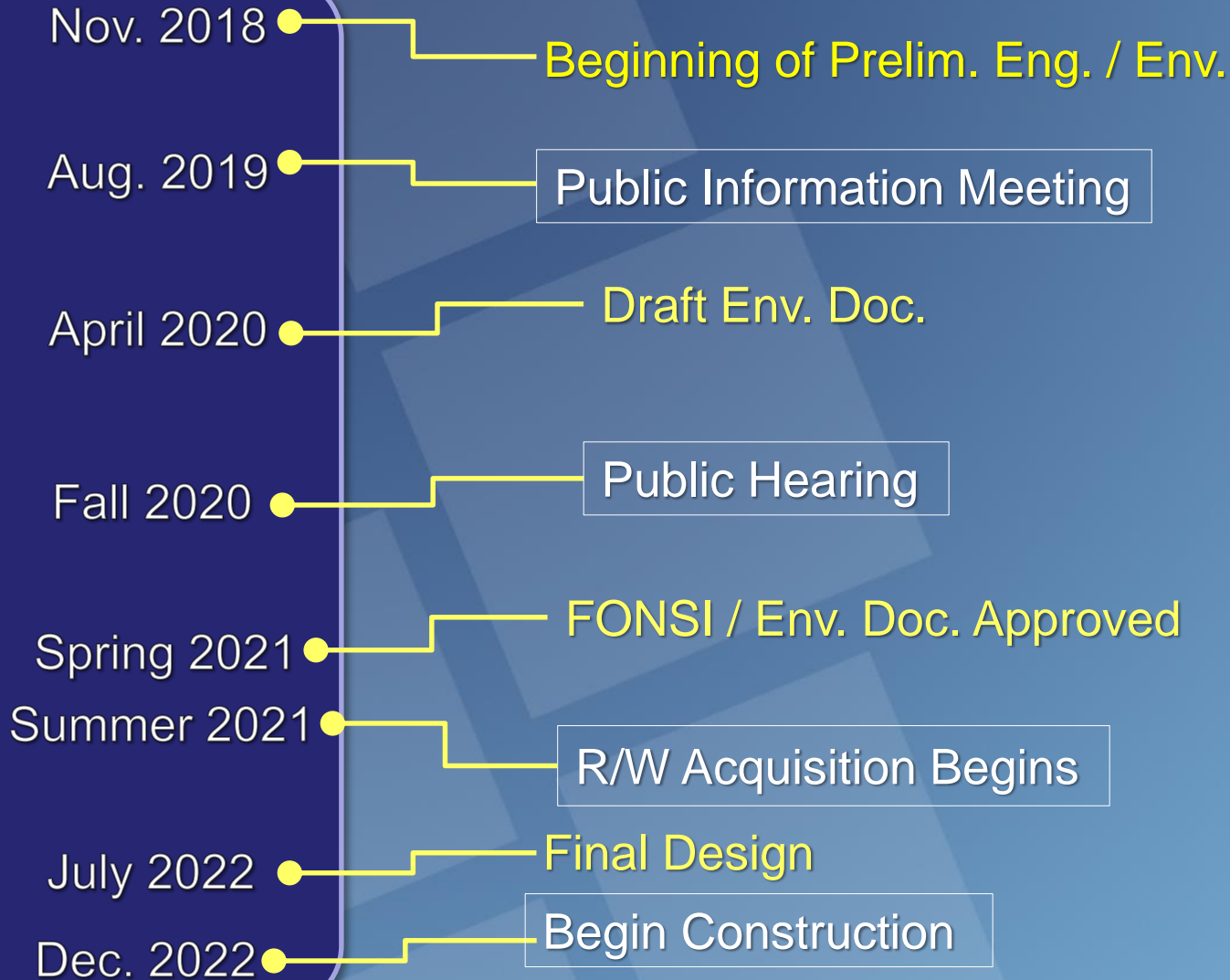


Funding

- Total Project Cost (Budget) - \$15,000,000
- Funding (local/federal) – 50/50 Partnership
 - Westfield - \$7,500,000
 - INDOT - \$7,500,00

Anticipated Project Schedule

ESTIMATED TIMELINE



Environmental Process

- **Requirement of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)**
 - **Requires the Evaluation of Environmental Impacts of the Project to the Natural and Social Environment**
 - Waterways, wetlands, endangered species, etc.
 - Historical properties
 - Social and economic factors
 - **Environmental document (Environmental Assessment)**
 - Prepared in accordance with state and federal guidelines
 - Evaluates impacts of proposed project
- **Evaluates a Number of Possible Alternatives Including a “Do Nothing” Alternative as a Baseline for Comparison**
- **The goal is to Avoid, Minimize, and then Mitigate Impacts**

NEPA Status

- **Gather Information**
 - Coordination with Local, State, and Federal Agencies
 - Ecological Resources
 - Section 106 (Cultural Resources)
 - Community Involvement

Section 106

- **Archaeological**
- **Historic Properties Report**
 - Historic District listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)
 - Westfield Historic District
 - Property recommended eligible for listing in NRHP
 - Julius L. Benson House
- **Next Steps**
 - Determination of Effect Finding

Community Involvement

- **Public Information Meetings**
- **Community Advisory Committee (CAC)**
 - Group of individuals serving as representatives of their local community acting as liaisons
 - Play important advisory role in developing a project that might better “fit” into their community
 - INDOT and FHWA maintain final authority and responsibility for decision-making

Other Environmental

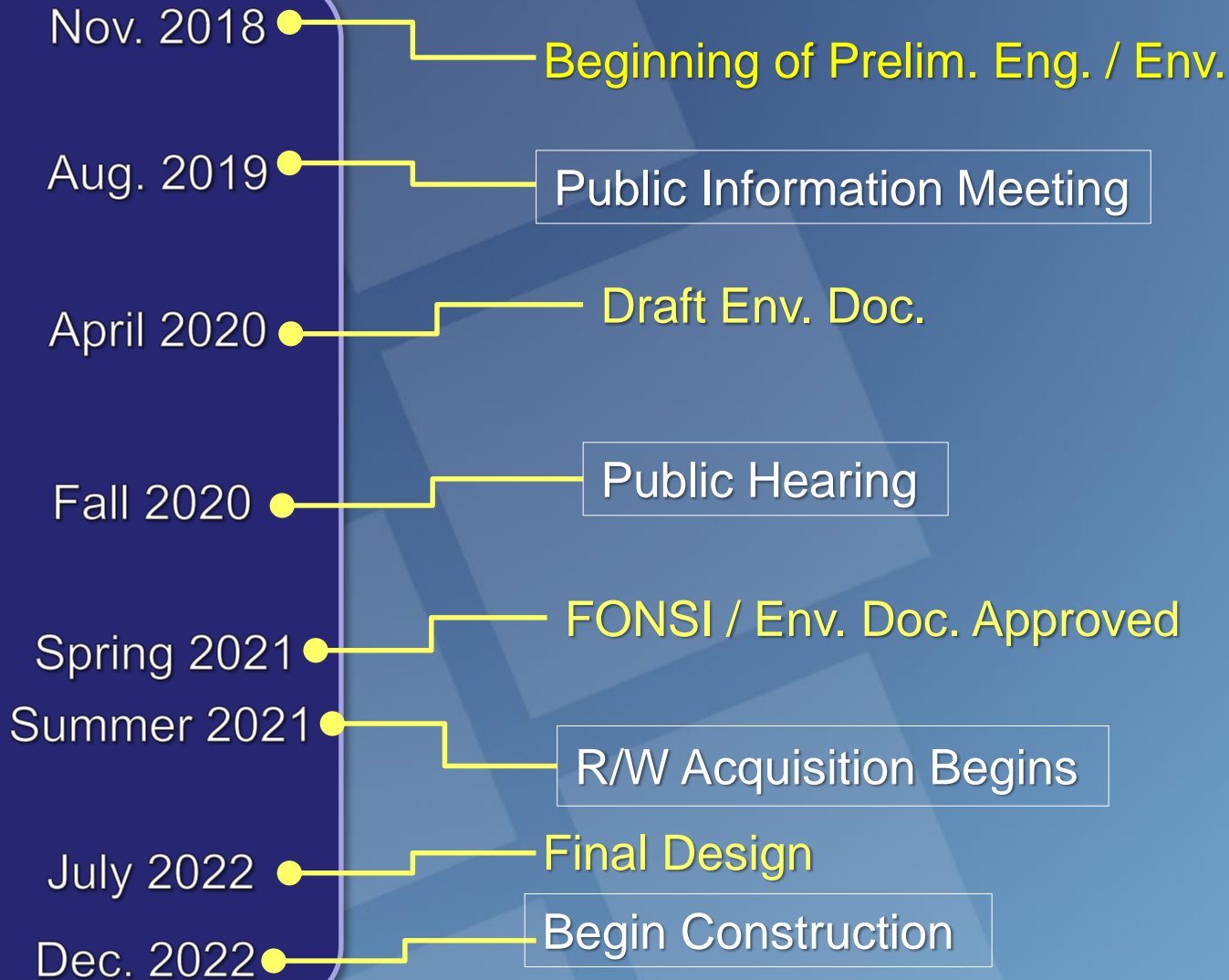
- Environmental Justice (EJ)
 - Low Income Populations
 - Minority Populations
 - Determine if Project Results in Disproportionate & Adverse Impacts to EJ Populations
- Ecological Resources
- Noise

Evaluation Matrix

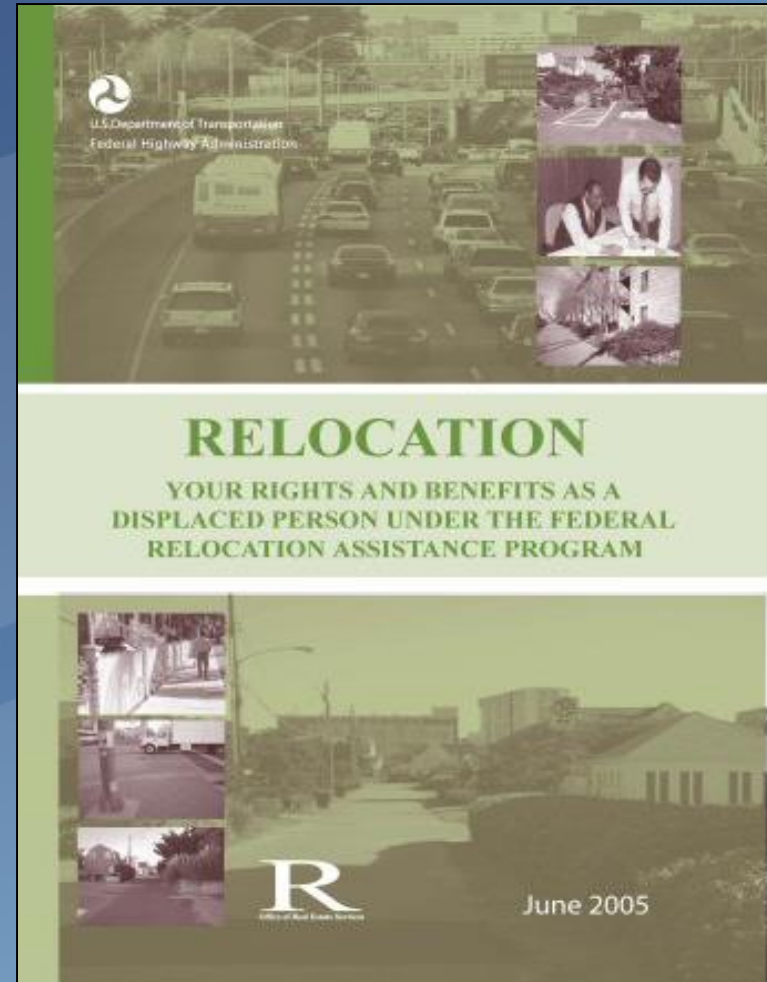
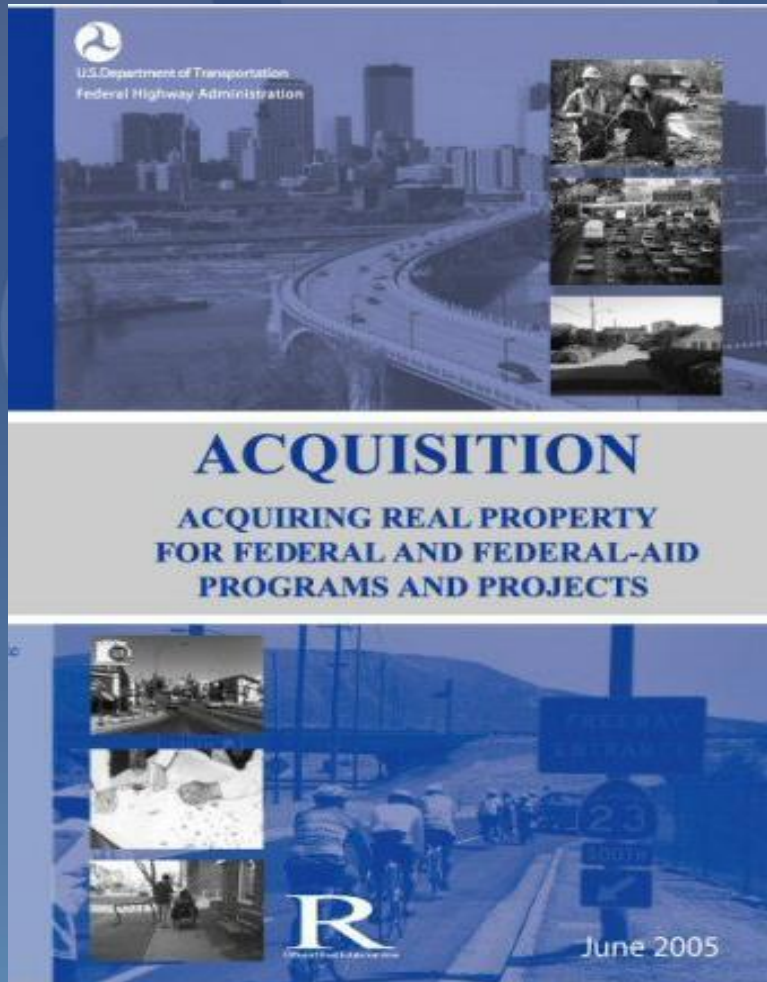
- Properties Impacted/Relocated
 - Section 4(f) properties
 - Historical District
 - Park properties
 - School properties
- Right-of-Way
- Streams and Wetlands

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Real Estate Acquisition



Submitting A Comment



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COMMENT FORM

Please provide your comments, concerns, and/or suggestions regarding the proposed State Road 32 Westfield Reconstruction project in Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana. Your comments are important to us, and we sincerely appreciate your time and participation during the public involvement process. Comments may be mailed, faxed, or submitted via e-mail to the address/fax number below.

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Meeting Date: August 22, 2019

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Des. No.: 1801731

Name (Please Print):

Address:

Comments:

Signature:

(Attach additional sheets, if necessary)

- The Team is interested in hearing your feedback on the project
- Comment Form and Sign-in Sheet
- Complete Comment Form and leave with Project Team tonight
- Take Comment Form home and fax or e-mail your comments to Sarah Everhart
- Please submit comments within 30 days
- Submitted comments will be used by the Project Team in the decision-making process

Feel free to view visuals and project layout displayed around the room and ask project questions to the Project Team.